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TOPIC Soviet Troops in RuhrEVALUATION [REDACTED] PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED]
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1. a. Alte Kaserne was occupied by about 600 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia on 10 December 1949. About 50 trucks and 14 tank trucks were seen in the kaserne area, but no tanks.

The following motor vehicles were seen:

Trucks Passenger Car

- b. Neue Kaserne was occupied by about 600 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with crossed-gun-barrel, winged-bomb and winged-lightning insignia. About 50 motor vehicles were observed, but no guns.

- c. The kommandatura had about 50 personnel.
d. The hospital had a staff of about 50 and about 100 patients.

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The following motor vehicles were observed there:

Trucks Ambulances

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e. An unusually small number of officers and EM were seen in the streets of Burg, although the occupation of the kasernes had not changed.

2. a. Alte Kaserne was occupied by tank troops on 25 January 1950. Some of them allegedly were on furlough and expected to return by the end of January 1950.

b. Troops wearing artillery insignia were observed in Neue Kaserne.

c. 100 heavy-duty flatcars have been held available in Burg since 25 January 1950.

Comment:

the Burg kasernes are occupied as follows:

a. Alte Kaserne: 136th Gds Hvy Tank SF Regt of the Third Shock Army.

b. Neue Kaserne: Artillery or AAA units, probably headquarters units of the Third Shock Army.

component units of the 6th Arty Div/COFG and artillery (?) units of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div may be stationed there.

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